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## CHRISTMAS IN PHILADELPHIA.

The Old Liberty Bell Goes to Charleston—The Effluence of the Social World—Yuletide Echoes

Philadelphia, Pa., Special:—Among the city visitors of last week were Mrs. Weston Thomas and daughter, Miss Connie of Brooklyn, Misses Kennedy of Tyrone, Pa., Helen Johnson of Washington, D. C., Misses Nora Prout, Augusta Lewis, Lizzie Davis, Rose Murphy, Ella Brown, Emma Bright, Messrs. William Anderson, Wm. Beckett, Daniel Murphy, and Dr. Baker of Baltimore Md.

The Old F. I. Temple was never more beautiful than on the evening of the twenty-sixth ultimo, when the auxiliary of the Day Nursery gave its second annual Charity Ball. Although the down pour of the rain was great yet it did not stop the lovers of gaiety and charity from attending. The costumes of the ladies were beautiful and the gentlemen never looked more gallant. The Utopian Orchestra with its proficient leader, Prof. Robert Robinson, furnished the music, which was indeed enchanting. The dance was a great success and the president, Miss Dora Needham, together with her coterie of assistants, deserve credit for the fine affair. All of Philadelphia's elite was present, together with friends from New York, Brooklyn, Hartford, Washington and Baltimore. The president, Miss Needham is worthy of praise. She is a recent graduate of the Philadelphia High and Normal School, a young lady of rare ability. She is now holding a position in the Cato School. The success of the Ball is due to her modest ability in handling such an affair.

The Ugly Club, Jr., had a special dance for the strangers on Friday night. The hall was crowded with charming belles and gallant beaux and all enjoyed themselves until the wee hours of morning and were loathe to part with the strains of the beautiful music and the smiles of happy faces.

Mrs. Thomas Gorgas entertained at a tea from 4 to 7 on last Sunday at her home in honor of Misses Davis, Brown and Murphy of Baltimore and Miss

Helen Johnson of Washington, D. C.

The Masquerade given by Miss Anna Duncan in honor of her Brooklyn and Baltimore friends was indeed a swell affair. All classes and conditions of men were represented by mask and the evening was one of delight to all present. There was much laughter when the hour came to unmask. Miss Duncan's costume was gorgeous and displayed the artistic ability of the pleasant young modiste.

Watch meeting was observed in all of the churches. Cherry Street Church had a great gathering. The services began at 10 p. m., and the pastor, Rev. Dr. Credit, preached an excellent sermon on where one will spend his eternity, taking as his theme the "this-thing of Dives in Hell" when on earth he had such an abundance which did him no good after death. This meeting commenced with a week of prayer followed by special revival services and several already been converted. On last Sunday, Dr. Credit was presented a fine suit of clothes and handsome roll top desk by the church and Sunday school as a gift in appreciation of his faithful service.

Miss Lizzie Carter of West Philadelphia gave a charming New Year breakfast in the early morning of January 1st. After a sumptuous repast, card-playing and dancing were indulged in, until early in the morning, after which the guests left, feeling they had spent an enjoyable morning.

The Treble Clef was at home from 4 until 7, on January 1st, at 517 South Street.

Misses MacBelle and Lela Walker gave a pleasant reception to their guest the Misses Nora Proutt and Augusta Lewis, of Baltimore at their home, 1910 N. Warneck Street, on January 1st. Between the hours of 5 and 8 hundreds of friends called to meet the ladies and a pleasant time was enjoyed by all. The affair was altogether one of mutual pleasure. Misses Proutt and Lewis left on Friday after a most pleasant visit in the City of Brotherly Love where they were royally entertained by the Misses Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Trower enter-

tained at their beautiful home in Germantown in of honor to the friends of Baltimore, on Thursday evening. The guest were pleasantly entertained by vocal selections by Mr. James of Lincoln University and Miss Lela Walker in her usual pleasing style rendered her famous recitation "The Rainbow." A fine repast was served in the spacious dining hall, where toasts were made by hosts and hostess, Mr. Wm. Anderson, of Baltimore, Mr. John Miller and Miss Lizzie Davis of Baltimore, Mr. C. O. Hopson acting as toast-master. A crowd full of happy ladies and gentlemen returned to the city, the young folks avowing they had never spent such a pleasant evening.

Miss Mamie Beckett gave a reception in honor of her brother Mr. William Beckett of Baltimore on Friday evening.

Miss Clara Sandler spent the holiday in Ithaca, N. Y., the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. I. Powell.

Miss Jessie Fawcett, a student of Cornell, spent the Christmas at home to the extreme delight of her relatives and friends.

Central Presbyterian Church, Rev. Dr. Keeves, Pastor, had a bazaar during the holiday which was largely attended. The young people worked well and deserve credit for the success.

Dr. D. W. Shaffer and bride were in the city last week.

The ladies' auxiliary of the Business Men's League gave a promenade concert on Wednesday night at Fidelity Academy.

The Old Liberty Bell, left Philadelphia, once more, to attend the exposition at Charleston.

Miss Carrie Harlan is wish us again Mrs. Chas. H. Brooks, is suffering with a severe cold which prevented her from going out to the regret of her many friends.

## The Violet Green Social Club.

The ladies of the Violet Social Club held a reception, New Year's Day at the home of its president, Miss Katie Green 2015 M St. Northwest. The parlors and dining rooms were tastefully decorated and the tables prettily dressed with evergreens and various flowers. The gowns of the ladies were beautiful, being of black satin, organdies and colored silks. Mrs. Susie Ellis introduced the visiting gentlemen and acted well her part in the entertainment of the several hundred callers from three to ten o'clock, p. m. Among the prominent names on the card were: H. W. White, L. L. B., Prof. J. T. Layton, Mr. Lucius Peterson, Mr. Dickerson, Prof. R. W. Thompson, Dr. W. H. Conner, Mr. Geo. Patton, Mr. Geo. Carter, Mr. Clarence Jackson and Dr. James T. Walker. Some of the ladies of the club are Miss Katie Green, Mary Peak, Emma Tinney, Susie Washington and Mrs. Philip Coleman, Mrs. Geo. Carter, and Mrs. Susie Ellis.

## The Dvoraks Will be Re-Organized.

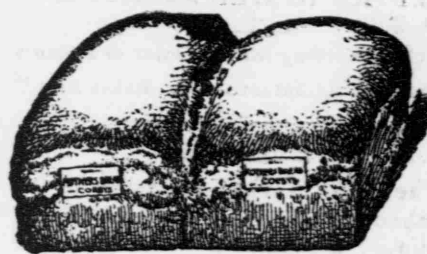
Editor of The Colored American—Please permit the use of your valuable journal as a medium to inform the public concerning the Dvorak Musical Society of Washington, D. C. No public appearance of the Society has been made here since June 1st, 1900 for the reason that it has been impossible to secure a suitable place for our use.

It is proposed however, to re-assemble the society at an early day, and to take up a new opera which will be presented in the True Reformer's Hall, Richmond, Va. about the first week in May.

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